

Conference — 1923

Farmers NEGRO FARMERS IN CONVENTION

(By Associated Press)

TUSKEGEE, Ala., Jan. 18.—“Agricultural development of the south and the nation is not a negro problem, but one of scientific farming,” said J. A. Evans, of the States Relations Service of the United States Department of Agriculture in addressing more than three thousand negro farmers, teachers, ministers, farm and home demonstration agents and other welfare workers here attending the thirty-second annual Tuskegee conference yesterday.

“There are two distinct ways of fighting the boll weevil,” Mr. Evans said. “One is to poison the weevil through a dusting process and the other is to cultivate the cotton intensively for thirty days at the time of squaring so as to prevent the punctured squares from hatching the weevils.”

Tuskegee Institute, each year is reaching a higher number of negro farmers, Jesse O. Thomas, of Atlanta, southern secretary of the Urban League, told the conference.

The program of yesterday included an address by Dr. Robert R. Moton, principal of Tuskegee, the presentation of the “Booker T. Washington Agricultural School on Wheels, a gift of the Alabama negro farmers to the government and the adoption of declarations by the conference commending negro farmers for heeding the advice of the conference, urging the purchase of homes, land and labor saving machines and other progressive moves.

The declarations stressed the opportunities offered the negro farmers in the south, asked for continued cooperation between the races and greatly deplored lynchings.

SAYS NEGRO NEEDS FARM EDUCATION

JAN 17 1923

Wants Agriculture in the
School System

ADDRESS AT TUSKEGEE *Charleston, S.C.* Government Official Calls Attention to Increase in Negro Farmers

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An increase of 3.1 per cent in the number of negro farmers in the United States in the last decade, as compared with an increase of 1.6 per cent in the number of white farmers, should be kept constantly in mind, Mr. Pugsley said, in shaping the negro educational system so that agriculture should not be neglected. Of the 10,463,131 negroes in the United States when the last census was taken 8,872,999, or approximately 85 per cent, were in the sixteen Southern and Atlantic States. The negro farm population in those States was 5,044,489, or about 57 per cent of their total negro population.

Mr. Pugsley declared the advance of the race in education has been remarkable during the last decade, which showed a gain of 1 per cent in school attendance and a decrease of 8.3 per cent in illiteracy among negroes.

“The fundamental problem confronting the negro race is that of education,” declared Mr. Pugsley. “Advancement under any form of government depends very largely on the education of its citizens. While we are interested, we realize that you yourselves must work out your own problems by yourselves. If your educational system is shaped to teach your youth how to cobble shoes and tailor clothes and hats, or how to be plumbers, carpenters and electricians without putting the proper emphasis on teaching your boys and girls how to farm and how to conduct the most satisfying farm home possible you will be doing your race a serious injustice.

“I want to emphasize the importance of regarding the home as the unit in your agricultural education work. You should give particular attention to this in developing an extension program which has as its object the bringing about of a satisfying rural life. I do not need to tell you that one of the most important considerations in this connection is the economic production and economic distribution of crops.”

VASHVILLE TENN. BANNER
Wednesday, Jan. 17, 1923

Alabama

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Richmond Planet
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FARMERS TO EXCHANGE IDEAS AT TUSKEGEE MEETING

Chicago Defender
Chicago Ill.
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Tuskegee, Ala., Nov. 24.—The 32d Annual Tuskegee conference will be held at the Tuskegee institute Jan. 17 and 18. The first day will be devoted directly to the interests of the farmers and the general topic "Agriculture and Home Economics" will be discussed. Such problems as crop production, live stock production, soil improvement, marketing, food and the home will be discussed and solutions offered by men and women well versed in these directions.

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EXPERT WELFARE WORKERS TO AID TUSKEGEE IDEA

Chicago Defender
12/15/22
School Officials Expect Annual Conference to Be Best in Its History

Tuskegee, Ala., Dec. 22.—The 32d annual Tuskegee conference, which will be held at Tuskegee institute Jan. 17 and 18, bids fair to be one of the most significant and most largely attended since the movement was inaugurated by the late Dr. Booker T. Washington. Many new features of interest to farmers, home makers and rural welfare workers have been added to this year's program, and the railroads have granted a reduced rate amounting to a fare and a half for the round trip.

Dr. John J. Tigert, United States commissioner of education; Dr. C. W. Pugsley, assistant secretary of agriculture, and Dr. O. B. Smith, director of states' relation service, United States department of agriculture, who

is in charge of the agricultural extension work, are definitely planning to be present. Secretary Henry C. Wallace has tentatively promised to attend for one day. Among the other important visitors expected is Allen W. Clarke, chairman of the National Clean-up and Paint-up bureau of St. Louis, Mo.

An exhibit hall is in the process of erection, which insures adequate housing for the many exhibits from the various counties as well as 30 or more demonstrations by the departments of the institute that will show how Tuskegee institute is striving to improve the condition of the farmers of this entire section through local, state and national extension activities.

Various welfare agencies operating in the South will hold group meetings at the institute Jan. 15 and 16. Among the agencies to be represented are: Farm and home demonstration agents, operating under the Smith-Lever act; vocational teachers, working under the Smith-Hughes act; teachers in Rosenwald schools, and supervisors of rural schools under the Jeanes-Slater fund. The presidents and trustees of the land grant colleges of the South will also hold a meeting here at this time. The representatives of the various agencies will remain at the institute throughout the conference and will take an active part on the program.

Dr. Robert R. Moton, principal, is urging all delegates to the conference to write to Tuskegee institute and secure identification certificates which will entitle them to purchase the reduced round-trip ticket to Chehaw, Ala.

ANNUAL TUSKEGEE MEETING CLOSES; DISCUSS HEALTH

Many Prominent Persons Attend Conference Held During Past Week

Montgomery Advertiser
(Special to The Advertiser)
TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, ALA., Jan. 19.—The week of conferences at the Tuskegee Institute closed today with a meeting of local, state and national health organizations and other welfare agencies, at which methods of conserving negro health were discussed. It was decided that the ninth annual observance of National Negro Health Week would be held during the week of April 1 to 7.

Among those attending the meeting were: Dr. Roscoe Conkling Brown, United States Public Health Service, Washington, D. C.; C. E. Spaulding, chairman of the executive committee of the National Negro Business League, and secretary-treasurer of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company, Durham, N. C.; Miss Emma Dotzinger, American Child Health Association; Miss Mary E. Williams, Public Health Nurse, Tuskegee, Alabama; C. C. Carstens, director, Child Welfare League of America, New York City; Miss Eunice Rivers, Rural Nurse, Tuskegee, Alabama; J. L. Charity, District Agent, Government Extension Work, Virginia; Miss Rosa B. Jones, Home

Demonstration Agent, Tuskegee Institute, Alabama; Miss Jessie L. Marriener, Child Hygiene Bureau, Alabama State Board of Health; Robert E. Eleazer, Commission on Inter-Racial Cooperation, Atlanta, Georgia; Miss Helen B. Pendleton, Atlanta School of Social Service and American Red Cross, Atlanta, Georgia; E. B. Frazier, Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia; James M. Graham, National Tuberculosis Association, Birmingham, Alabama; Jesse O. Thomas, Field Secretary, National Urban League, Atlanta, Georgia; Allen W. Clarke, National Clean-up and Paint-up Campaign, St. Louis, Missouri; J. E. Taylor, State Farm Demonstration Agent, Langston, Oklahoma, and Dr. R. R. Moton, Dr. E. H. Dibble, Dr. J. A. Kenny, T. M. Campbell, A. L. Holsey, and M. N. Work, all of Tuskegee Institute.

In speaking of the activities of the week, Dr. Robert R. Moton, principal of Tuskegee Institute, said: "This week has been one of much significance. In my opinion it is an indication of the growing tendency among white men and black men to come together and discuss sympathetically those problems which both races share here in the south, which we all love and desire to develop to the fullest extent in every direction."

Roscoe Simmons Thrills Large Audience

One of the mean features of the week was the address of Roscoe Conkling Simmons, a nephew of the late Dr. Booker T. Washington, who is a well-known writer and orator of the negro race. He expressed his abiding faith in the growing sense of justice among white people and made an eloquent plea for a "square deal" for the members of his race in the south.

NEGRO EDUCATORS MEET AT CUTHBERT

Atlanta Star
Cuthbert, Ga., January 27.—(Special).—The eighth annual session of colored farmers and educators met here in three days session today. A large collection of farm produce, poultry, needle work and other exhibits is on exhibition. Farmers from this and adjacent counties are present and over 500 colored students of Payne college and Howard normal attended the meeting today. Industrial activities, schools and health are the general topics for discussion.

Mayor L. B. West, of the city of Cuthbert, delivered the opening address. Superintendent Walter McMichael will talk on rural schools for negroes today. Professor R. G. Hall, of Cuthbert, will talk to the farmers on dairying. Lydia D. Thornton and Rebecca Styles Tarlor, state workers for negro rural schools, have rendered splendid service throughout the sessions. The meeting closes Sunday with an educational mass meeting at which time the white and colored pastors will speak to the people at large on Christian training.

President A. B. Cooper, the promoter of the conference, with the aid of his faculty and Professor F. H. Henderson of the Howard normal, is doing much in making the colored people of this section useful and contented citizens.

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**NEGRO FARMERS WILL
MEET HERE AUGUST 9**

**John D. Wray Announces Program
For Meeting of Congress At
A. and T. College**

The North Carolina Negro Farmers' congress will be held at A. and T. college, August 9 and 10, according to announcement by John D. Wray, secretary. Government experts from Raleigh, Washington and other cities will be on the program and many negro farmers are expected to attend.

Some of the subjects to be discussed are: "Soil fertility, food and feed crops," by Prof. C. B. Williams, state agronomist; "Farm plans," by Prof. C. R. Hudson, state agent; "Money crops," "How to market farm crops," "Boys' and girls' club work," "Selecting and buying a farm," "Financing farm operations," "During cotton with calcium arsenate," "Care and feeding of infants," by A. L. Jones; "Turning old clothes into useful garments," by Dazelle Foster; "Making the home more comfortable and attractive at small expense," Estelle Smith, district home demonstration agent; "The part the family cow and garden play" and "What shall we eat for breakfast, dinner and supper," by Lucy Wade, Johnston county home demonstration agent; "Putting the garden into the pantry," by Emma McDougald, Wayne county home demonstration agent.

Others will be added to the program later. Free agricultural movies are to be shown each night. Secretary Wray says that "the program is rich in agricultural education, practical farming rural economy and improvement from beginning to end. It is a fine outing for the farmers and their families. Board and lodging will be free to all who attend the congress subject to the request of President J. B. Dudley, as follows:

"The A. and T. college will furnish free board and lodging to all bona fide members of the congress who will send their names or the number in their automobile parties to John D. Wray, Secretary on or before Monday, August 6, and who will upon arrival pay the one dollar membership fee to the congress and secure badge which will admit them to the dining hall and dormitories free of charge. On account of the summer school, which will be in session at this time and the crowded condition among our residents in the city, the college cannot guarantee free accommodation to even bona fide members of the congress who fail to furnish their names and addresses or the number in their automobile party for John D. Wray, by the time specified above."

The Negro Farmers.

To the Editor of ~~The Observer~~:

Executive committee of the North Carolina Negro Farmers' Congress of which Prof. C. R. Hudson is chairman met in Raleigh a few days ago to decide upon the time and place of the semi-annual meeting. Professor Hudson had received a telegram from Mr. G. W. Herring of Sampson County who had been instructed by the farmers of his county to invite this great meeting to Clinton. Professor Inborden, our president, had received a petition from the Sampson County farmers and their local agent Mr. Herring with over 100 leading farmers of the county requesting him to bring the meeting to Clinton. So the committee unanimously decided to accept this invitation, and the time fixed for the meeting is January 22 and 23, 1924. All persons attending this meeting are urged to arrive in Clinton on the evening of January 21 for there will be a sort of "get-to-gether" meeting the night of the 21 consisting of welcome addresses and other preliminary work. The Congress proper will open the morning of the 22 at 10 a. m., and will close at 10 p. m., the night of the 23.

Aside from the splendid program being arranged and the number of excellent speakers that are being selected it is worth any farmer's time and money to visit Sampson County and see how they do things. It will be both instructive and inspiring and we trust that every negro farmer in the State who possibly can will take advantage of this opportunity to visit Clinton and mingle with these progressive Sampson County farmers. I am sure that they will return home brimming full of information and running over with enthusiasm as a result of their contact with these progressive negro farmers in Sampson County and other parts of the State, it will probably be the most largely attended meeting known in the history of the organization and the program promises to be one of the best. Announcements of various speakers and the topics to be discussed will be made in the various daily and weekly papers from time to time. Watch for further information about this great meeting.

T. S. INBORDEN, President,

JOHN D. WRAY, Secretary.

Raleigh, Nov. 26

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UTICA FARMERS' CONFERENCE.
TO HEAR PROFESSOR CARVER

Utica Institute, Miss., Jan. 5.—The 19th annual farmers' conference will be held at the Utica Normal and Industrial Institute Jan. 10 and 11.

Prof. George W. Carver, one of the Race's foremost agricultural chemists of the South, and of this country as well, will be present and demonstrate some of the South's valuable possibilities through chemical analyses. Dr. Carver's experiments in agricultural research covers probably a wider area than any other chemist in the country, and every farmer in Mississippi will make an effort to hear him.

The topic for discussion will be "The Southern Negroes' Place in Southern Agriculture" and certain other phases of Racial progress.

Utica institute will act as host to all the farmers, visitors and professional men who find it possible to attend the conference.

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News of Interest from Fort Valley, Georgia

Negro Farmers Stage Annual Home Cured Meat Show And Demonstration Mass Meeting.

On Thursday, March 8th the Colored farmers of this section will hold their 7th Annual Home Cured Meat Show and Demonstration Meeting. To show the progress that is being made in the farm and home, an exhibition of 250 fine smoked hams, 40 pounds of choice butter, 200 quarts of selected canned fruit and vegetables will be on display.

Combined with this meeting will be the annual Educational Mass meeting of the rural schools. Teachers and pupils from the various rural schools will attend and bring exhibitions of industrial work done by the pupils under the supervision of Mrs. C. F. Stephens, Jeans Supervisor for this county. 3/10/23

Mr. and Mrs. O. S. O'Neal, who have charge of the farm and home demonstration meeting, are very optimistic over the coming meeting. They have arranged to have some of the best speakers along agricultural lines to be present.

Among the speakers will be: Miss Susan Matthews, State Nutrition Specialist of Athens, Ga.; Miss Louise Dowdle, State club agent for girls; Mr. W. T. Anderson, editor of the Macon Telegraph; Mr. A. J. Evans, President of Citizens Bank, Ft. Valley; Mr. C. E. Martin, Vice-President, Citizen Bank, Ft. Valley; Mr. E. A. Williams, state agent for Negro work, Savannah, Ga.; Mr. Walter B. Hill, State Rural worker, Athens, Ga.; and Mrs. F. J. Hunt.

On Friday, March 9th, a conference of the various workers

among the Negroes will be held. On this day teachers, preachers, rural workers and leaders in general will meet and discuss how they might cooperate and work for greater results in the rural districts.

The public is cordially invited. Prizes for the best exhibits displayed by the different communities and school will be awarded. The prizes for the best community club exhibit will be awarded as follows: 1st prize, \$10.00; 2nd prize, \$5.00; 3rd prize, \$2.50, and 4th prize, \$1.50.

During the past week our girls' basket ball team played a game each with teams from Selden Institute, Brunswick, Ga., and State College, Orangeburg, S. C. The games were played on the H. & I. Campus and the visiting teams won in each case.

The February rhetorical took place in our chapel on the evening of the 19th. The students are displaying a keen interest in these exercises. We were pleased to have the Selden team witness the rhetorical at the close Professor Pride, who had charge of the team addressed us.

Dr. M. A. Forte, representing the State Department of Health, and director of Malarial control in Georgia, thrilled the students in his most instructive talk on controlling malaria fever by combatting the mosquito. Dr. Forte's talk was very illuminating and practical.

The Parent-Teacher meeting of last week was more

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largely attended than any hitherto. Parents representing every section of the town, and some from the surrounding rural communities were present.

The biggest and best grand musical concert of its kind was given by the Y. M. C. A. on the evening of the 26th. The proceeds of this entertainment will be used to defray the expenses of delegates to the Kings Mountain Conference next spring.

We rejoice to learn that Mrs. H. A. Hunt, who has been away since the first of December, is expected to return this week. Her presence here has been missed very much.

What proved to be one of the most interesting Sunday evening talks of this year was delivered last Sunday evening by Principal Hunt when he spoke of some things an education ought to do for one. Such talks cannot but kindle a new zeal in one for an education and at the same time inspire the earnest students to higher and greater efforts.

A BIG WEEK AT

FORT VALLEY, GA.
The week March 5-10 has gone down in history as the greatest of its kind. On the 5th, 6th, and 7th, a conference of the Negro Smith-Hughes vocational workers of the state met here. Prof. Alva Tabor, who had charge of this conference, reported that practically every worker was present. Many leading agricultural experts were present at different times during the session and delivered practical and instructive addresses.

Miss H. Q. Brown, national president of the Federated Colored Women's Club, paid a visit to the local club of that organization on the 6th and 7th. Miss Brown was highly entertained by the local club. On the evening of the 7th, Miss Brown delivered an inspiring address to an audience which crowded the H. & I. school auditorium.

The seventh annual farmers' conference was held on the 8th. There was

a fine display of home-raised hams and canned fruits and vegetables which spoke in no uncertain terms of the invaluable work that is being done by O. S. O'Neal, farm demonstration agent, and Mrs. J. O. O'Neal, who is in charge of the home canning club department. W. T. Anderson, editor Macon Telegraph, and Walter B. Hill, special supervisor, spoke.

On the 9th teachers from the rural districts, preachers, organization heads and community workers of every kind assembled at the H. & I. school to discuss how to get the greatest results from concerted efforts. This meeting was very interesting from start to finish.

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**ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OF NEGRO FARMERS**

MONROE, LA. STAR
FEBRUARY 1, 1923

President J. S. Clark announces the Eighth Annual Session of the Southern University's Negro Farmers' Conference to be held at Southern University Thursday and Friday, February 8th and 9th, Scotlandville, La.

The Southern University Farmers' Conference is now one of the outstanding features in the annual program of the institution.

The conference has been the means of helping many of the colored farmers in the state in securing land, homes, better stock, and better educational advantages. In addition to the experience of the local farmers, the conference this year will be addressed by:

Dr. W. R. Perkins, director of Experiment Station, Louisiana University; Dr. W. R. Dodson, director of Agriculture, Louisiana State University; Hon. Harry D. Wilson, commissioner of Agriculture; Hon. T. H. Harris, state Superintendent of Education; Hon. John M. Parker, governor of the State of Louisiana; Special Agent T. M. Campbell, States Relations Service, Tuskegee Institute, Ala.; Dr. George W. Carver, director of Experiment Station, Tuskegee Institute, Ala.

The principal topics discussed this year will be: How to make farming a safe and sound investment. How to create a greater enthusiasm for farming; the relation of farming to the other activities; marketing, co-operation, better homes, better schools, better churches, better health, rural contentedness, etc.

All visiting farmers will be the guests of Southern University. Farmers from all sections of the state are invited and expected to attend this meeting.

The farm demonstration agents and Southern University will have special exhibits and demonstrations for all visiting farmers.

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**ANNUAL FARMERS'
CONFERENCE AT
VOORHEES INST.**

New York News
**Dr. Carver of Tuskegee In-
stitute Discussed Negro
Exodus to North and
How to Stop It.**

3/3/23
(Special to The New York Age)
Denmark, S. C.—What was perhaps
the best and most interesting session
yet held of the Voorhees annual far-
mers' conference convened in the In-
stitute chapel February 14, attended
by several hundred farmers, with
scores of teachers, ministers, home-
makers and others.

Ed. Jenkins, president of the con-
ference, the successful farm demon-
stration agent for Bamberg County,
called the morning session in order
and presented Prof. J. E. Blanton,
Voorhees' new principal, who warmly
welcomed all visitors.

Practical agricultural problems,
such as fertilization, soil building,
cover crops, crop rotation, and diver-
sification, etc., were intelligently dis-
cussed by a number of farmers pres-
ent. Among the speakers were T. J.
McMillian, Allendale County; T. K.
Kirkland, Barnwell County; M. A.
Folk, Bamberg County; Fred Lyon,
Orangeburg County.

Principal Blanton conducted a short
symposium on "Women's Problems".
The Rural School was the centre of
discussion and several women told of
what has been done and is being done
in their respective communities for the
improving of the schools, and how
they have succeeded in raising money
to lengthen their school terms. Some
of the speakers were Mesdames H. D.
Matthews, Lena Simmons and Edgar
Wright of Bamberg.

At 1 p. m. the audience assembled
in front of the building to witness
the presentation of an auto truck to
the school by the members of the fa-
culty. Dr. T. L. Jones made the pre-
sentation speech and Principal Blan-
ton accepted the gift for the school.
Music was rendered by the Voorhees
brass band directed by Dr. J. M.
Brooks, conference agent.

When the hour arrived for the open-
ing of the afternoon session every
available seat in the auditorium was
occupied and standing room was at a
premium. Dr. George W. Carver, of
Tuskegee Institute delivered a mes-
sage filled with information, inspira-
tion and hope. His subject was, "How
to keep our labor home, or how to
stop the exodus".

Speaking of the exodus of the col-
ored people to the North, he gave as
one of the fundamental reasons that

these people are going because they
can get jobs in factories where they
can make a living, not knowing how
to make a living on the farm since
the advent of the boll weevil. He said
if there were factories here to em-
ploy these people at a living wage,
they would remain in the Southland.
He advanced the idea that the coming
of the boll weevil is God's way to make
the farmers resort to crop rotation
and the growing of their foodstuffs
and stock feed at home.

Dr. Carver announced that he is
still working out the possibilities of
the pecan, and exhibited several pro-
ducts, including paints for cloths in
many shades; paints for leather;
flour; a number of confections; black-
ing for shoes; oils, soaps, inks, stock
feed, three varieties of fuel bricks,
fertilizer, pickles, sauces, and molass-
es. In producing these products, Dr.
Carver has made use of all parts of
the pecan, meats, shells and hulls,
and he says there are a number of
other products yet to come from this
wonderful nut.

Before close of the morning ses-
sion remarks were made by Mayor
Thomas of Bamberg; Prof. Beufort of
Schofield School, Aiken, S. C., and
Capt. Guess. H. E. Calhoun, presi-
dent of the Home Bank of Barnwell,
spoke at the afternoon session. Mr.
Calhoun is manifesting his interest in
colored farmers by furnishing them
fertilizer and money with which to
make their crops. He spoke emphati-
cally and uncompromisingly against
unfair and unjust treatment of the Ne-
gro in the South, saying he hoped the
day will come when the white men of
the South will accord the Negro a fair
deal in all things.

Mr. Calhoun introduced the Rev.
Jessie Smith Williams of Barnwell, a
World War veteran and winner of the
croix de guerre. Rev. Williams
modestly told how he won the medal
when he crawled 300 yards on his
stomach within shooting distance of
the enemy, shot and killed five Ger-
mans and captured three, saving the
day for his captain and comrades. He
is the only soldier of his county who
won this French medal of honor.

There are a number of new faces
among the faculty. Among these is
Mrs. L. P. Mayes of Augusta, Ga., the
lady principal.

South Carolina.

Carthage Texas Register

Feb 23, 1923

Enthusiastic Meeting of Colored Farmers Held.

Colored Farmers' Club Met At
Beckville and Holland's
Quarter Tuesday.

Meetings of the colored farmers' clubs of Panola county were held Tuesday, February 20, at Beckville and Holland's Quarter under the direction of their demonstration agent, Herman Brown. County agent Dan Foster spoke, urging diversification of crops, and asking co-operation in the planting of ribbon cane, stating that he had arranged for the handling of several car loads out Panola county this year, provided that he can get the co-operation of the farmer in planting in time for moving.

C. B. Calahan of the Carthage Land Co., explained the workings of the Federal Land Bank, and stressed the importance of negroes owning their own farms, and how easy it is, under present day conditions to acquire and pay for them.

Sam T. Smith appraiser of the Federal Land Bank, accompanied the party from Carthage, and states the meeting was enthusiastic, and unusual interest manifested by the colored people. At Beckville, Prof. Ross of the colored school had his students and his pupils entertain the visitors with some good singing, and at Holland's Quarter, the pupils under Prof. Pendleton sang.

Mr. Calahan said he was much impressed with the apparent efforts of the colored people are making to better their conditions

and to raise the living standards of their race. "Their farms on the average look well cared for, and buildings in excellent condition," said Mr. Calahan, "and the negroes of Panola county are deserving much commendation for these efforts."

Their agent, Herman Brown, is largely responsible for this spirit, and his efforts should have the co-operation of every citizen of Panola county.

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Virginia.

Farmers
COLORED FARMERS
2/12/23
FORM FEDERATION

no. 1000
Will Aid Race Farmers in Finance and Production; Memberships Wanted
no. 1000

Richmond, Pa.—For the purpose of placing the nearly one million colored farmers of the country on a sound and progressive financial basis there has been formed with headquarters in this city a National Federation of Colored Farmers.

This organization was launched by a group of colored farmers and business men after extended consultation with leaders of white farm bureaus and the Department of Agriculture.

The purposes of the organizers are to enroll every Negro farmer in the country into membership of the National Federation; to develop co-operating marketing; better farming; diversified crops and increased production and to secure for colored farmers all of the benefits enjoyed by the farmers of other races.

It is planned to have members of the National Federation meet each year in a national convention for the purpose of discussing the problems that are peculiar to colored farmers. An effort will be made at headquarters to keep in touch with all matters of National legislation affecting agricultural interests and to keep the members of the federation informed.

It is the hope of the founders of the National Federation of Colored Farmers to make life on the farm more attractive and to build up in this Nation a group of organized, satisfied and influential producers.

Colored farmers throughout the country are asked to send names and addresses to Charles E. Hall, National Federation of Colored Farmers, Richmond, Va.

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Farmers

EDUCATIONAL AND EXTENSION WORK CONFERENCES AT TUSKEGEE CLOSED WITH MEETINGS HELD ON TUESDAY

Government Experts Are Principal Speakers; Plans
For Improvement of Conditions in Negro Homes
of South Subject of Comment

Montgomery Advertiser
(Special to The Advertiser)
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"Agriculture in the South cannot be carried on without the help of science. There is need of planning work with reference to the future development of communities. The colleges have too long neglected the education of the masses. They have gone along conventional lines. Last year amidst the most severe economic depression in the South made in the number of Negro agricultural workers which it employed. Prosperity is surely coming to the South."

R. E. Malone, of Arkansas, reported for committee that there should be established an association of negro land grant college officers which would cooperate with the officers of the white and grant colleges throughout the South.

Pleads for Women.

Mary McLeod Bethune, principal and founder of a large school for colored girls at Daytona, Fla., made a plea that colored women should be trained in head, hand, and heart and that white and colored leaders should teach everywhere the spirit of cooperation. She declared the negroes of all classes wish to live like real genuine American citizens.

W. H. A. Howard of the colored A. M. School of Tallahassee, Fla., reported for a committee on standard in mechanic arts education, which will make a careful survey of trade teachers and their problems.

T. R. Parker, reported for a committee on junior college work. This report emphasized the importance of putting into the curriculum such subject matter as would fit colored boys and girls for useful life in the country.

The conference passed a vote of thanks to Dr. R. R. Moton, principal of Tuskegee Institute and his co-workers, to Dr. J. J. Tigert, U. S. Commissioner of Education, to the Federal Board for Vocational Education, and to the U. S. Department of Agriculture for the cooperation of these groups in making this conference such a positive success.

Round Table Discussion.

The round-table discussion of the obstacles, problems and suggestions for the work of the Jeanes Fund Supervisors of the counties of Alabama was opened by Dr. J. S. Lambert, State Agent for Rural Schools. He commended the work of the Supervisors of the Alabama counties as shown by their monthly reports.

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MEETING AT AUBURN ADOPTS PERMANENT POLICY OF FARMING

Bankers and Business Men are
Called Upon to Cooperate in
Work Including Statewide
Fight on Boll Weevil

AUBURN, ALA., Dec. 21.—Special to The Advertiser.—Passage of resolutions adopting a permanent policy with reference to agricultural production, marketing and education, and the adoption of reports containing detailed instructions as to how improvements can and should be made, featured the closing session of Alabama's Safe Farming Conference here Friday

afternoon.

Adopted
The resolutions were presented by a general committee composed of farmers, officials of farm organizations, extension service workers, and representatives of commercial and agricultural concerns. The reports were presented by subject matter committees, composed of farmers and county agents. All were adopted by unanimous vote as presented. 12-22-23

The general resolutions pointed out the importance of agriculture in Alabama, naming definite improvement which should be made and called on bankers, merchants, editors and all others interested to cooperate in carrying forward a constructive program of development. As passed they read:

Resolutions in Full.

"Whereas agriculture is outstanding as Alabama's one big basic industry with 80 per cent of her people directly dependent on agriculture for a living, while the remaining 20 per cent depend on it for the success of their business.

"Whereas certain changes in methods and practices must be made if Alabama is to take her proper place as an agricultural state, therefore,

"Be it resolved, first that we as farmers, investors, and agricultural workers, earnestly request bankers, merchants, editors and all other interested individuals, agencies and organizations, to cooperate with us in carrying forward our program of constructive work. Especially do we plead for the cooperation of bankers and business men.

"Resolved, second, that an earnest and permanent effort be made by all concerned to get farmers on a cash basis. For doing this we strongly urge them to grow ample food and feed crops for home needs, to continue and expand cooperative marketing, and practice intelligent economy in all business procedure.

Deplore Increase in Tenancy.

"Resolved, third, that we deplore the constant increase in farm tenancy in Alabama and appeal to the public to assist in stopping this and hereby eliminate one of the most serious agricultural evils of the state.

"Resolved, fourth, that we pledge our faithful and untiring cooperation to the home demonstration agents in making all of their work among rural homes of maximum effectiveness and value." 12-22-23

A special resolution called attention to the splendid work which the press of Alabama has done in agricultural advancement by disseminating agricultural news and information, and expressed the appreciation of the conference for this splendid cooperation.

Chief among the recommendations of the committee on entomology was one favoring a state-wide boll weevil control campaign at an early date. It was approved and Dr. W. E. Hinds, entomologist for the extension service, and experiment station, was authorized to name the dates and outline plans for the campaign.

The marketing committee defined cooperative marketing as "the best known method for marketing farm products," pledged support in continuing and expanding the marketing program which is now in progress; favored development of home markets, and made specific recommendations as to the various commodities, including livestock.

Soil Improvement Work.

A review of soil improvement work was embodied in the report of the

committee on soils and crops. Special mention was made of the exceptional strides made in home mixing of fertilizer and the planting of winter legumes in which Alabama leads all other southern states.

From the opening session Thursday forenoon until the last minute Friday afternoon the conference was a very harmonious body. Unanimity of purpose prevailed. Although all delegates were ever keen to their responsibilities they never lost an opportunity to display enthusiasm and optimism.

County farm bureaus and the county agents were requested to work out specific programs from the general recommendations and to carry forward these plans in their respective counties.

In addition to the regular program brief talks were made during Friday by J. M. Moore, commissioner of agriculture; I. T. Quinn, commissioner of conservation; W. B. Algood, state auditor; O. B. Martin, of the department of agriculture; Edward A. O'Neal, state farm bureau president; T. D. Samford, Opelika, and several others.

In a brief but impressive talk Professor L. N. Duncan who had been chairman of most of the general sessions closed the conference which will go down as one of the most important ever held by Alabama farmers